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SUBJECT: SPEECH MATERIAL REFERRED TO IN AIR CIO TELEGRAM

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1. AS A FOOTNOTE TO REFTEL AND IN VIEW OF EMBASSY'S CURRENT INTEREST IN DEPARTMENT--SPONSORED OR PUBLICIZED EVENTS, WE PICK UP EMBASSY'S LATER DISCUSSIONS WITH EX-EMBASSY CONTACT WHOSE REPORTING WAS BASIS OF WARNING (PARA 1 REFTEL) AND BRING ALL BEARING TO THIS POINT. EMBASSY RECALLS MARGARET SMITH'S VISIT AND BRIEF CONTACT WITH HER. EMBASSY'S RECORDS: SHE SOUGHT AID TO OBTAIN HE HOPED FROM ARMY SECURITY AUTHORITIES THAT SMITH WAS BEING KEPT ALIVE FOR PROPAGANDA PURPOSES IN THE ARMY COMMUNICATIONS SCHOOL AT CAMPO DE MAYO. HE MISTAKENLY HAS REFERRED TO THAT INSTITUTION AS THE "CENTRAL LENGUAS SCHOOL". (THE CENTRAL LENGUAS SCHOOL AT CAMPO DE MAYO IS A COMBAT SERVICE SUPPORT SCHOOL.)

2. EMBASSY COMPONENTS HAVE NO OTHER INFORMATION WHICH WOULD TEND TO SUPPORT THIS REPORT. AS WE POINTED OUT IN REFTEL, WHILE THERE UNION OBSERVERS BELIEVE SMITH IS DEAD. THE EMBASSY CONTACT MENTIONED IN

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PARA (1) IS ALSO THE SOURCE OF OUR INFORMATION CONCERNING

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THE 19 CERMINOS WORKERS ALLEGEDLY KILLED NOVEMBER 1977 IN CAMPO DE MAYO (RUEHC) 0.1(B) 3677) AND HE IS THE SAME INDIVIDUAL WHOSE WARNING TO FIELD MEDICAL ADVISOR JULIO STRINGFELLOW PROMPTED EMBASSY'S INQUIRY REGARDING LATTER'S SAFETY (SEE 5.1(B)).

5. DAO IS NOT AWARE OF ANY PRISONERS BEING HELD EITHER AT COMMUNICATIONS SCHOOL OR GENERAL LENGS SCHOOL. CASTRO

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